

Subject: UPDATE: EOC Responds to LA Storm

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To:



Friends:

The City's Emergency Operations Center is busy this evening, as Los Angeles responds to the worst winter storm in years.

A few notes as we head into the evening hours:

- Responders are busy ensuring life safety and working to keep roadways clear of debris.
- The strongest part of the storm will be moving through the early evening. People should drive with extreme caution. Leave good following distance and turn headlights on.
- Downed power lines have been reported across the city. Downed lines are dangerous and deadly. Stay away from downed power lines and report immediately to 9-1-1 or 1-800-DIAL-DWP.
- Hundreds of downed trees and some street flooding have been reported. Report these issues using the MyLA311 app on your phone or myla311.lacity.org.
- Winter homeless shelters are operating 24/7 through Tuesday morning. Please visit LAHSA.org for more info on shelter and pickup locations.
- If you come across flooded roadways, TURN AROUND.
- LAFD has sand and sandbags at area fire stations. Visit LAFD.org for full list of stations.
- Follow @ReadyLA and visit emergency.lacity.org for information and tips to weather the storm.

And finally, Los Angeles International Airport is also experiencing some travel delays, so please call your airline to confirm arrival and departure times.

Please be safe out there,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mitch'.

MITCH O'FARRELL

HEADLINES

Olympic Bid is Strong Despite Travel Ban [[BEVERLY PRESS](#)]

LGBT Community Commemorates Black Cat Demonstration [[ABC7](#)]

City of Los Angeles Awards its Love to *LA LA Land* [[VARIETY](#)]

ADVISORY: OSCAR STREET CLOSURES BEGIN 2/19

HOLLYWOOD - The 89th Oscars are rapidly approaching, and motorists in Hollywood will start feeling the effects beginning Sunday when streets around the Dolby Theater begin closing so crews can set up for the event. Some lane restrictions and sidewalk closures have been in effect in the Hollywood tourist district for almost a week, but the biggest impact will begin at 6 p.m. Sunday, when all lanes of Hollywood Boulevard will be closed between Orange Drive and Highland Avenue. That stretch will remain blocked until 6 a.m. March 3.

[READ THE STORY ON CBS.COM](#)

TEAM MITCH MAKING A DIFFERENCE



HISTORIC FILIPINOTOWN: CD 13 Clean Team recently spent some time clearing debris from gutters and storm drains in Historic Filipinotown, like this one at the north east corner of Temple and Bonnie Brae Streets. This work not only keeps our neighborhoods clean, but also helps protect our ocean.

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GLASSELL PARK DEDICATES FLETCHER IMPROVEMENTS



GLASSELL PARK -- City officials and members of the Glassell Park community recently dedicated the completion of a project that creates safer access for students walking to and from school, improves our bicycle infrastructure, and adds much needed beautification enhancements along Fletcher Drive.

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MORE STREET PARKING ALONG EL CENTRO



HOLLYWOOD - Mitch and his staff worked with the Los Angeles Department of Transportation and neighbors on El Centro Avenue to add nearly 20 spaces of street parking. Decades ago, the Los Angeles Police Department directed staff to enforce a 'no parking zone' in the area to deter crime. Since then, public safety has improved significantly, and the no parking zone was lifted this month, creating more parking in this Hollywood neighborhood.

SILVER LAKE COMMEMORATES BLACK CAT DEMONSTRATIONS



SILVER LAKE - Gay activists marked the 50th anniversary of the demonstration at The Black Cat, the site of the first LGBTQ civil rights protest in the United States, with a re-enactment, celebration, march and a modern-day rally.

[PHOTOS](#)

HOMELESSNESS AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

CITY HALL - Homelessness, and the lack of access to services and affordable housing, is the most important issue facing our city. Los Angeles is the most unaffordable housing market in the country, and it is estimated that there are nearly 28,000 homeless people living on the streets.

Mitch has worked to combat homelessness using a three-pronged approach: Protecting tenants and preserving our rent stabilized units; Working to increase our supply of affordable housing; and providing access to services and permanent supportive housing.

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HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY DAY

The poster features a dark blue background with a white city skyline at the bottom. At the top left is the official seal of the City of Los Angeles. At the top right, a white box contains the text "NEW DATE" in large letters and "DUE TO RAIN" in smaller letters below it. The central text reads "COUNCILMEMBER MITCH O'FARRELL" in large, bold, yellow and white letters, followed by "LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL, 13TH DISTRICT" in smaller white text. Below this, it says "INVITES YOU TO" in white, followed by "Hollywood Community Day" in a large, white, cursive font. The date "SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2017" is in white. The event details are listed in white and yellow: "Coffee with your Councilmember 9:00AM-10:00AM" and "Community Clean Up 10:00AM-12:00PM". At the bottom, there are logos for "LABT", "Hollywood Film Trust", "100% Green", and "Los Angeles Community Garden Council". The bottom section of the poster is a light brown box with the text: "FOUNTAIN COMMUNITY GARDENS", "5620 FOUNTAIN AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA 90028", and "FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT SYLVAN DE LA CRUZ AT (213) 207-3015 OR SYLVAN.DELACRUZ@LACITY.ORG".

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COUNCILMEMBER
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PHOTO OF THE WEEK



ELYSIAN VALLEY - Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell sponsored a free bike light distribution event where the Los Angeles River Path meets Fletcher Drive. 'Operation Firefly' is an education and bike light distribution program of the Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition intended to make sure people riding bikes in Los Angeles are riding safely at night.

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